



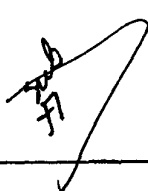
Applicants: David Stern and Ann-Marie Schmidt
Serial No.: 08/905,709
Filing Date: August 5, 1997
Page 2

filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

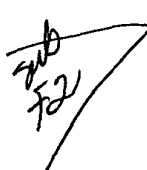
In the specification:

Please amend the paragraph on page 1, lines 6-9, under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c) as follows. A marked up version of the amended specification wherein the deleted material is in brackets and the inserted material is underlined is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

E₁ 
--This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 08/592,070, filed January 26, 1996 and U.S. Serial No. 08/755,235, filed November 22, 1996, the contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.--

In the claims:

Please amend claims 1 and 16 under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c) as follows. A marked up version of amended claim 1 and 16 wherein the deleted material is in brackets and the inserted material is underlined is attached hereto as Exhibit B. Please also add new claims 36-46.

E₂ 
--1. (Amended) A method of preventing atherosclerosis in a subject suffering from hyperlipidemia which comprises administering to the subject a polypeptide which is an agent capable of inhibiting an interaction between AGE